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School rejects new club office

Student government alerts administrators
that MEChA has only space on campus

By Roger Denman
el Don Editor in Chief

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - Members of the latino club on campus lost their bid for office space when student government and Inter-Club Council officials intercepted their plans and wrote a letter of protest to administration.

After learning that a room in the Technical Arts building had been prepared for specific use by Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan, Associated Student Government president Ignacio Muniz contacted administrators and denounced the idea, saying that MEChA is "getting preferential treatment."

At this time, no club on campus

has a room designed for club use, with the exception of the Latina Center, a federally-funded program, said Muniz. Most clubs are run through their adviser's office.

"It's not right that one club should have office space when the rest of the clubs on campus don't (have space). Other clubs have expressed interest in having an office, so I'm

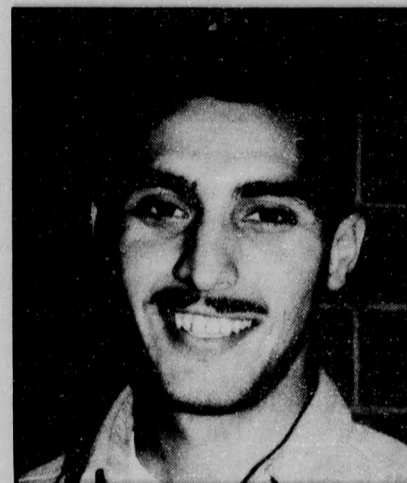
saying that now all clubs on campus should have their own offices," Muniz said.

Top-level administrators reviewed student government's concerns and decided to cancel MEChA's move into the work space.

ICC president Trung Bui said MEChA did not go through the proper channels when requesting the office.

"We are the governing body of all the clubs on campus and when **Please see OFFICE, Page 3**

OPINION: Student officials are fickle over offices, see page 8.



ASG President Ignacio Muniz

A whale of a time . . .



Kendall Marie Botham, a four-year-old from Garden Grove, lets face painter Arthur Almquist display his creative talents during the Festival of Whales held at Dana Point last weekend.

E.J. Campbell/ el Don Photo

Drastic budget cuts, lay-offs not needed

■ RSC administrators have made no attempt to reverse an \$8 million surplus from planning miscues.

By Bettina Nellen
el Don Staff Writer

Anticipating a disastrous fiscal year in 1993, RSC took drastic measures to avoid a budget shortfall, laying off staff, cutting programs and reducing expenses.

However, when an unexpected \$8 million surplus was discovered during the 1993-94 fiscal year, the district took no steps to reverse its far-reaching decisions.

"The state's financial picture is not getting better," said Stephen G. Garcia, vice chancellor of business operations and fiscal services. "That's why we are still very cautious."

"I am quite unhappy with the... discrepancy between what was projected and what was actual," said **Please see BUDGET, Page 3**

Health Watch

It's a potentially deadly disease, but easy to treat. It was thought to be nearly eradicated.

But instead, it's celebrating a come-back. Tuberculosis is a chronic infection caused by a bacterium called Mycobacterium tuberculosis. The germ has haunted mankind for centuries, having been detected in Egyptian mummies dating back to 3700 B.C.

Optimistic public health officials predicted that the disease would be wiped out in America by the 1980s.

But the optimistic forecast, which led to

The Red Rage

Over the last six years active pulmonary TB has nearly doubled in Orange County

By Bettina Nellen

a vast cutback of hospital beds reserved for TB cases, the dismantling of screening programs, the closing of sanatoriums and the cutting of funds, has proved hasty.

"We are seeing an overall increase in tu-

berculosis in California as well as in the nation," said Portia Choi, a public health medical officer at the Orange County Health Care Agency.

Los Angeles County and Orange County

are the two counties within the state that show a dramatic increase in active pulmonary tuberculosis, according to Sheila Rockoff, coordinator of health services at RSC.

Over the last six years, active pulmonary TB has nearly doubled in Orange County, soaring from 176 cases in 1988 to 345 cases in 1993.

Santa Ana is No. 1 within Orange County cities, reporting 111 TB cases in 1992 (numbers for 1993 are not yet available). The city has had to fight more than twice as many cases of TB as Garden

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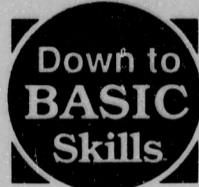
■ CAMPUS NEWS

Briefly

All Pepped Up

Applications for next year's Pep Squad will be available beginning March 15 at the Student Activities Center in the Johnson Center. The applications must be submitted by April 7. For further information, call Jeannine Edwards at 564-6210.

Exam Help Has Arrived



Students who need help preparing for the California Basic Educational Skills Test can register for preparation sessions offered by the RSC Community Services. The sessions are offered until August and costs range from \$50 for one session to \$110 for all four sessions. For registration, dates and locations call 564-6220.

Transfer Days Are Here Again

The Outreach Program at California State University Fullerton is sponsoring "transfer days," March 12 and 19 for students who are interested in transferring to the university. Workshops, campus tours and refreshments will be provided at no cost, however parking permits for the day are \$1.50 each. To sign up call (714) 773-3099. Attendance is limited.

Diversity Ditch Day

Next Friday, March 18, no classes will be held in honor of Diversity Day. Although no students need to come to class, all full-time faculty and staff are required to be on campus.

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DISEASE: 10 to 15 million people are infected

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Grove, ranked No. 2 with 53 cases.

More than 22,000 new TB cases are reported each year in the United States and an estimated 10 to 15 million people are infected with the TB germ, according to the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"The increase is directly attributable to foreign-born individuals," said Rockoff.

Immigrants seem to be developing tuberculosis at a much higher rate than American-born citizens. But, said Rockoff, "We're all at potential risk because [the germ] is in our community."

Other high-risk groups include the poor, the homeless, nursing home residents, prisoners, alcoholics and especially HIV-infected individuals.

The TB germ is about 50 times smaller than the average dust particle and therefore easily penetrates deep into the lung. It is a highly contagious, airborne virus.

About 85 percent of patients develop pulmonary TB where the bacillus inhabits the lungs exclusively.

However, sometimes the germ settles in other parts of the body, such as the brain, the kidneys or the spine and affected patients are referred to as having extra-pulmonary TB. In rare cases, people develop a combination of pulmonary and extra-pulmonary TB.

When a person with active pulmonary TB coughs, sneezes, laughs or sings, the germs can be transmitted to another person. However, a one-time passing in the hallway of a person with active TB doesn't endanger anyone's health, said Rockoff.

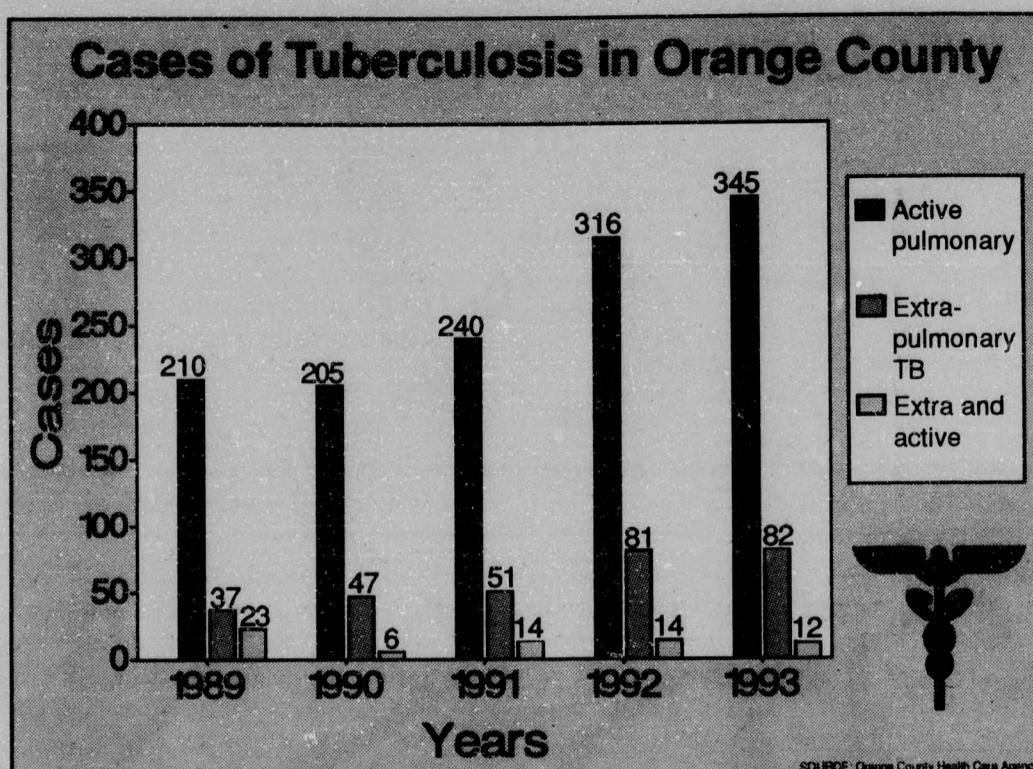
"The key with tuberculosis is the exposure over time, in a confined area," she said.

One major problem with tuberculosis is that people exposed to the germ do not know they have TB and they continue to spread the disease, Rockoff said.

"There is no such thing as a textbook picture of the symptoms," she said. "The symptoms are generally vague in the beginning and that's why people don't know [that they have TB]."

At first people feel tired. They lose their appetites and experience night sweats. As the disease progresses, people feel more tired, lose weight and begin coughing. Eventually, people will start coughing up blood, an indication of the lung tissue damage.

"I've heard of people just collapsing," said Rockoff. "They just pass out at work or they pass out in the class [room] because their body is so physically exhausted."



FACTLINE

High-risk groups include:

- ✓ Anyone who shares close-quarters with someone who has active TB
- ✓ Poor people
- ✓ Homeless people
- ✓ Foreign-born people from countries where many people have TB
- ✓ Nursing home residents
- ✓ Prisoners
- ✓ Alcoholics and intravenous drug users
- ✓ People with medical conditions such as diabetes, certain types of cancer; being underweight
- ✓ People with HIV infection

Untreated, TB can lead to permanent body damage or even death. "The key is to know whether you have taken the tuberculosis bacillus into your body," Rockoff said.

Therefore, the public health department is recommending a TB skin test every two years. Within a two-year period of time, chances are high that drug therapy will lead to a permanent cure.

Not everyone who is infected with the tuberculosis bacillus will develop active TB. As long as people are in a good mental and physical state of health, well-nourished and get plenty of rest, they will fight off the disease.

Nevertheless, everyone who is infected by having taken the bacillus into his body needs to go on long-term medical treatment.

People with TB infection who do not develop the disease cannot spread the germs to others, but they may develop the disease in the future. Therefore, these people are put on a preventative anti-tuberculosis drug regimen from six months to a year.

For those who develop an active disease, the treatment will be longer and medication will be stronger.

"It only takes a few weeks to control the bacillus," said Rockoff. After that time the person won't be contagious anymore and can resume his activities. However, that person has to remain on the drug regimen for about 18 months to two years, she said.

And this is where trouble can start.

"One of the problems with TB is that the medicines need to be taken for many, many months and quite often once a person starts to feel well, which is within less than a month's time, some persons stop taking the medication and they can get sick again," said Choi.

On top of that, these people can develop drug-resistant strains of the bacillus. This is already a tremendous problem in New York, the city that has been hit hardest by the resurgence of TB.

Because of that, alarmed health officials emphasize the importance of strictly following through a long-term anti-TB drug regimen.

"You can never get [the tuberculosis bacillus germ] out of your body," said Rockoff. "All you can do is knock it down to such a weakened state that it just can never rear its ugly head again."

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BUDGET: Students still suffering from cutbacks

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Charles W. "Pete" Maddox, president of the RSC board of trustees.

Although some of the affected staff were hired back and others had their hours restored, students are still suffering from the consequences.

A significant number of staff were reduced in student services, according to Sara Lundquist, executive dean of student services.

"We made dramatic cuts," she said. "We cut hundreds of thousands of dollars. There was a tremendous amount of shifting of people to try to cover more territory with fewer people and that happened within student services and it happened throughout the entire institution."

Because of the loss of a coordinator in the Assessment and Employment Center, several programs had to be reduced, Lundquist said.

The Job Placement Center was also affected when the job placement officer and a part-time support position were cut.

"That will be a definite loss to students,"

Lundquist said. "We will still have a job placement program, but that program will have fewer resources."

Student Activities also had to cut a full-time position, leading to the elimination of a whole program where students, as well as staff and faculty, could obtain discount tickets for Magic Mountain, Disneyland, Knott's Berry Farm and movie theaters, according to Jennifer Davis, student activities coordinator.

In addition, the legal clinic no longer offers on-campus services.

"We used to have a legal clinic every Wednesday on this campus where we made the appointments in our office," Davis said. "It was pretty booked every Wednesday."

Students may still use college services now but they don't use them as much as they did when it was located on campus, Davis said.

Although a number of classified staff were laid off, there were no cutbacks of faculty last year, according to Gloria Guzman, president of the academic senate.

"Instruction is the last part to cut because... [the] number of classes that are offered are the basis on which we get the money we earn from the state," she said.

However, classified staff were not as lucky and as a result of the cutbacks, the workload increased for the remaining staff.

Consequently, certain jobs take longer to be completed, according to Denise Phillips, co-president of the classified senate.

Additional problems arose by the shifting of staff across different departments, causing extra learning and training time.



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Executive dean of student services

"Even though you may not have lost a single employee, (you may have received) a new senior clerk who has never worked in your office before," Phillips said.

Time is taken away from another employee in the department to train the new clerk, said Phillips.

"There had been a few hires within the last few months," she added. "It didn't bring back everyone but it did re-adjust in certain departments so that the work can be done efficiently and effectively. Along with California School Employee Association the classified senate would like to see all offices fully staffed."

This hope doesn't offer immediate help for Janis Drinkgern, co-president of the classified senate, who was bumped into a lower job category when the drastic measures were implemented last year.

Drinkgern used to fill an intermediate position as an administrative clerk at the Orange Adult Learning Center.

Now she holds a 19-hour per week, part-

time position as an intermediate clerk in the Research, Planning, and Resource Development Department at the Santa Ana campus.

The consequences are far-reaching. "I have a whole lot less money," she said. "There's a lot of job dissatisfaction. It's not really good for your morale."

She has also lost all of her benefits. Her position at the Orange Campus was not eliminated, instead another employee with higher seniority has filled it.

Drinkgern has little hope that she will get her full-time position back. "I got cut back in July and I don't think anything is happening in this area [in the near future]," she said.

However, the board of trustees is determined to revise the district's budget.

"I don't think we had a clear picture before of where we were going to be financially," said Maddox.

"I think we could have done a better job of it, and I think we will do a much better job of it this time," he said.

OFFICE:

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someone makes a request for something like this, ICC should know about it before any plans are initiated," Bui said. "There are plenty of clubs that want and have requested office space, but MEChA got their office in a few weeks."

David Lopez, co-adviser of MEChA, said he didn't know that applying for a club office was going to be difficult.

"This is my first year being adviser and I am not familiar with all the by-laws that need to be followed. I didn't know that we were doing anything wrong," Lopez said.

Executive Vice Chancellor Ed Hernandez, who is also an adviser to MEChA, said the club didn't think they were doing anything wrong by requesting they be allowed to have office space.

"MEChA made a formal request to some of the administrators expressing that they needed space to hold some of their records and other paperwork," Hernandez said.

The office had been painted in preparation for the club's arrival, but Hernandez said it is standard procedure to paint a room before it is occupied.

"I guess the question is this. Did MEChA receive preferential treatment? Well... yes, they did. Every student at this school deserves preferential treatment," Hernandez said.

"There was an office which was previously used by several different clubs that was located across the street (in Honer Plaza). That property was leased by the school. The space is no longer available, so MEChA needed space this year," Hernandez said.

That office was meant to be a multi-cultural center, but David Dobos, dean of student affairs, said the room eventually converted into an office used only by MEChA.

"Black Student Union, MEChA, and the Vietnamese club on campus, along with some other ethnic clubs, requested last year that there be a multi-cultural club for them to

meet on campus. The students used a room in the adult learning center across the street. Later on in the year there was a nameplate on the door that said MEChA on it. I was later billed for the cost of the nameplate," Dobos said.

Now that the office in Honer Plaza is no longer under lease, student government and administration are planning to build another multi-cultural center for the campus; this time it will be in the Johnson Center.

"Last semester, administrators and student officials went on a field trip to UCI to see how the multi-cultural center at their school works. We would like to model our program after theirs," Dobos said. The school is currently working on plans to make room U-107 in the Johnson Center the new multi-cultural center.

"We are going to make a new doorway into that room so it is more easily accessible to the students," Dobos said.

Right now, MEChA has no plans to find another office.

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Health on the EDGE

Many college students can't afford medical insurance, leaving them at risk in an emergency

By John Tuttle
From College Press Service

Health care is one of the last things on the mind of the typical college student. Papers, exams and fitting in are far more worrisome than insurance deductibles and claims forms.

Yet, a growing number of college students in the United States gamble every day with their health by going without insurance.

According to the Employee Benefit Research Institute, 25 percent of men and women ages 18-20 had no health insurance coverage in 1992, and 32 percent of those 21-24 had no coverage. Many young Americans, according to the EBRI, lose the health coverage they had under their parents policies after they turn 21 or 22.

"My health insurance ran out under my parents plan when I turned 21 and I've been without it ever since," said Elena Coleman, who has been a graduate student at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., for about a year.

Coleman said all of her money goes to pay for school, so there is little left over for insurance.

"I don't get sick that often anyway," she said.

Warren Greenberg, a professor of health economics at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., said Coleman's situation is not at all unique.

"That's one of the reasons college students don't buy insurance. They don't think they'll get sick," Greenberg said.

However, college health care professionals maintain that going uninsured is a reckless decision. Dorcas Lawrence, coordinator of student health services at George Washington University, said even though only a handful of college students find themselves in need of critical care, it is extremely important to have health coverage for major medical emergencies.

"The fact that you may be in that five out of a thousand is just too risky," she said.

George Washington, like many other colleges and universities, offers relatively low-cost health insurance to students. The George Washington plan provides basic coverage to 1,500 men and women, mostly graduate and foreign students.

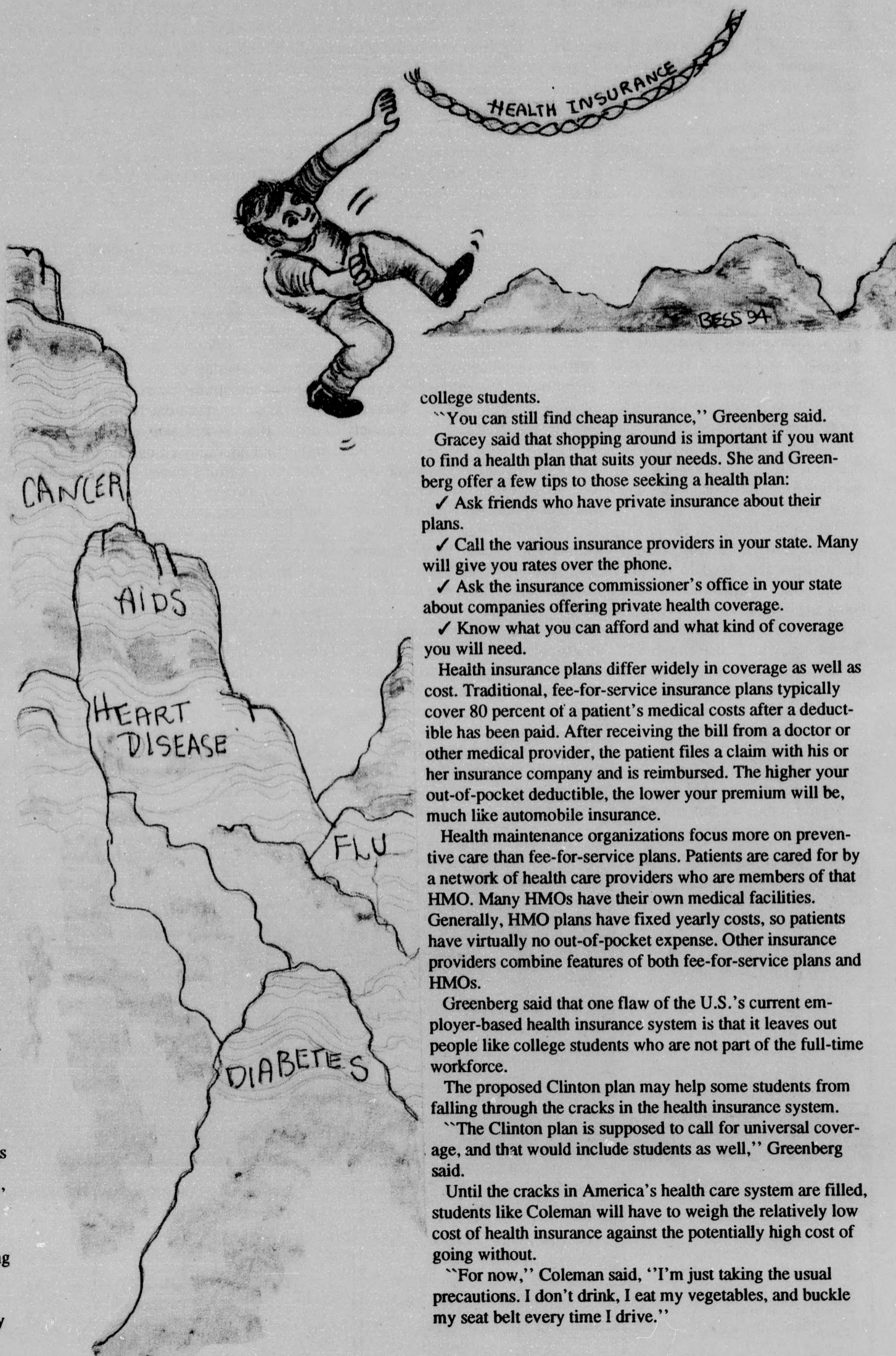
A national survey of colleges and universities in 1985 found that more than 80 percent of four-year institutions offered some form of student health insurance program, according to The Journal of American College Health. Most plans include part-time and older students.

This is good news for students like Coleman, who may be surprised to find that student health plans are largely affordable. The George Washington plan, for example, costs only \$700 for the academic year.

Cost and convenience are important issues for students who do not have access to school-sponsored plans. If a college doesn't provide a plan of its own, uninsured students are left to seek health coverage on their own.

"It's really up to the individual to do your own research," said Barbara Gracey, a spokesperson for the Health Insurance Association of America.

Insurance firms, according to Greenberg, have been shying away from offering individual coverage as opposed to employer-based plans in recent years. The good news is, there are still many options for low-risk individuals, namely



college students.

"You can still find cheap insurance," Greenberg said.

Gracey said that shopping around is important if you want to find a health plan that suits your needs. She and Greenberg offer a few tips to those seeking a health plan:

- ✓ Ask friends who have private insurance about their plans.
- ✓ Call the various insurance providers in your state. Many will give you rates over the phone.
- ✓ Ask the insurance commissioner's office in your state about companies offering private health coverage.
- ✓ Know what you can afford and what kind of coverage you will need.

Health insurance plans differ widely in coverage as well as cost. Traditional, fee-for-service insurance plans typically cover 80 percent of a patient's medical costs after a deductible has been paid. After receiving the bill from a doctor or other medical provider, the patient files a claim with his or her insurance company and is reimbursed. The higher your out-of-pocket deductible, the lower your premium will be, much like automobile insurance.

Health maintenance organizations focus more on preventive care than fee-for-service plans. Patients are cared for by a network of health care providers who are members of that HMO. Many HMOs have their own medical facilities. Generally, HMO plans have fixed yearly costs, so patients have virtually no out-of-pocket expense. Other insurance providers combine features of both fee-for-service plans and HMOs.

Greenberg said that one flaw of the U.S.'s current employer-based health insurance system is that it leaves out people like college students who are not part of the full-time workforce.

The proposed Clinton plan may help some students from falling through the cracks in the health insurance system.

"The Clinton plan is supposed to call for universal coverage, and that would include students as well," Greenberg said.

Until the cracks in America's health care system are filled, students like Coleman will have to weigh the relatively low cost of health insurance against the potentially high cost of going without.

"For now," Coleman said, "I'm just taking the usual precautions. I don't drink, I eat my vegetables, and buckle my seat belt every time I drive."

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Scene

Looking for someplace
to go this weekend?
Here are a few
suggestions.



ELECTRIC Circus

By Michelle Cochrane
el Don Staff Writer

Some may find the Electric Circus shocking but others may get the boost they need to rock them through the week.

If your nightlife is lacking that extra spark, this newly opened club in Anaheim may just be the charge you need.

The Electric Circus resembles a Victorian-style ballroom with its spaciousness and high ceilings. And the trippy, psychedelic lighting creates an energizing atmosphere in which to showcase a variety of Orange County's finest bands.

If the music gets too deafening, head into the back room for a game of pool on one of the ten, red, felt covered tables. The tables are free between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. with the purchase of an alcoholic beverage or a dinner entree.

A variety of nightly entertainment contributes to the carnival-like feeling with something for everyone.

Reggae night gets groovy on Sundays with host Ras Bunny.

Then on Mondays, the Circus becomes unplugged with acoustic guitar acts playing jazz and blues. The mellow cafe-style atmosphere is conducive to poetry readings and a cup of espresso. Admission is free.

On Tuesdays you can hear blues, jazz and rockabilly

music for a minimal cover charge of \$2 to \$3.

If underground techno music and dancing is what turns you on, then Wednesday is the night for you. Industrial, house, tranze and cyber tunes are spun by a D.J.

Thursday through Saturday are gig nights where Orange County's most popular bands strut their stuff. Each night headlines more than one band and caters to a variety of tastes. Rock n' roll, pop, jazz, funk, rhythm and blues, gothic and alternative music are just some of the different styles of music unleashed. Admission is usually \$5.

"The Electric Circus is a great place for bands to get exposure," said Craig Teigen, percussionist for the funky jazz fusion band SOL.

"We enjoy playing here, the atmosphere is both cool and casual," he added.

In between bands, dance music pumps out of the speakers. As a refreshing change, the dance space is big

enough so you don't have to grind with everyone else on the floor, although the choice is yours.

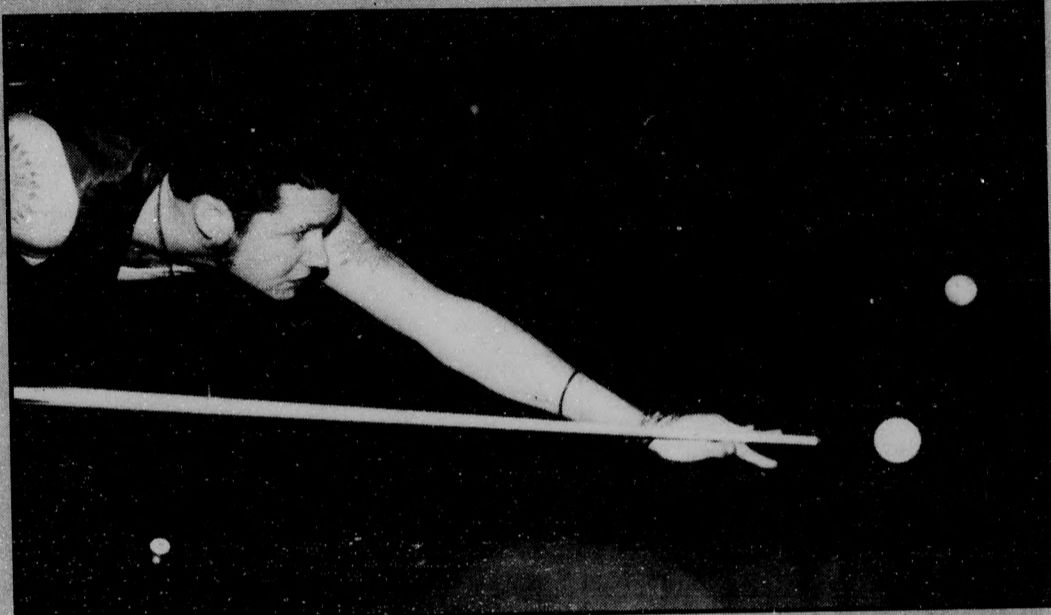
The over 18 club boasts a full bar with 10 beers on tap, and prices are as cheap as \$2 for domestic brews. Then if you're feeling a little hungry a dinner entree or appetizer won't break the budget at \$1.55 to \$4.95.

In an effort to help the earthquake victims, the Electric Circus held its first fundraiser to raise money for the Red Cross Disaster Fund. The 12 hour jam session was held on Feb. 6 and hosted 20 Orange County bands.

For more information call (714) 827-1210. The Electric Circus, 314 North Beach Blvd., Anaheim (Tower Records parking lot, one-block south of Knott's).

The following bands will play in March.

19 - SKELETONS - pop punk
25 - MEDICINE RATTLE - blues
Call - RULE 62 - rock n' roll
26 - JOYRIDE - alternative



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Rack-'em up

Pool tables are plentiful at Electric Circus. Here, Grant Tobin shoots some 9-ball.



By Karla Dudich
el Don Staff Writer

From leather jackets and Harley Davidsons to fur coats and Italian suits, Roxbury South in Santa Ana has brought a touch of Hollywood to Orange County with style.

Approaching its one-year anniversary in March, the 21 and over club has had such headliners as Vince Neil and Tia Carrere.

If rock and roll is not your scene, you

can venture upstairs and groove to the latest in dance music spun by a D.J. The dance floor is large enough to accommodate dancers comfortably without bumping into people and is continually doused with cool air.

Once your eyes have adjusted to the dark, you begin to notice the Gothic and Victorian decor and the ballroom style restaurant. Meals range from \$5.95 to \$16 and consist of pasta, pizza and exotic seafoods. Admission to the club is free when you dine at the restaurant

Roxbury south

Shakin' and bakin'

The dance floor is always packed at Roxbury South (left). Juan C. Melgoza, a Roxbury cook, puts the final touches on a mystical pizza (right).

and it is a terrific way to dodge the \$10 cover charge.

For a mere \$1,500 a year, you can get an annual pass into the Roxbury's V.I.P. room. Complete with fireplace, private balcony and blackjack table, the room has been visited by Pauley Shore, Prince and other celebrities.

The Roxbury South has outdone its sister club, the Roxbury in Hollywood and has supplied Orange County with a refreshing change from the usual pool halls and over-crowded techno clubs.



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POP SINGLES

1. **The Sign**
Ace of Base
2. **The Power of Love**
Celine Dion
3. **Whatta Man**
Salt-N-Pepa
4. **Without You/Never Forget You**
Mariah Carey
5. **So Much In Love**
All-4-One
6. **Bump N' Grind**
R. Kelly
7. **Breathe Again**
Toni Braxton
8. **Now and Forever**
Richard Marx
9. **Cantaloup**
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10. **All for Love**
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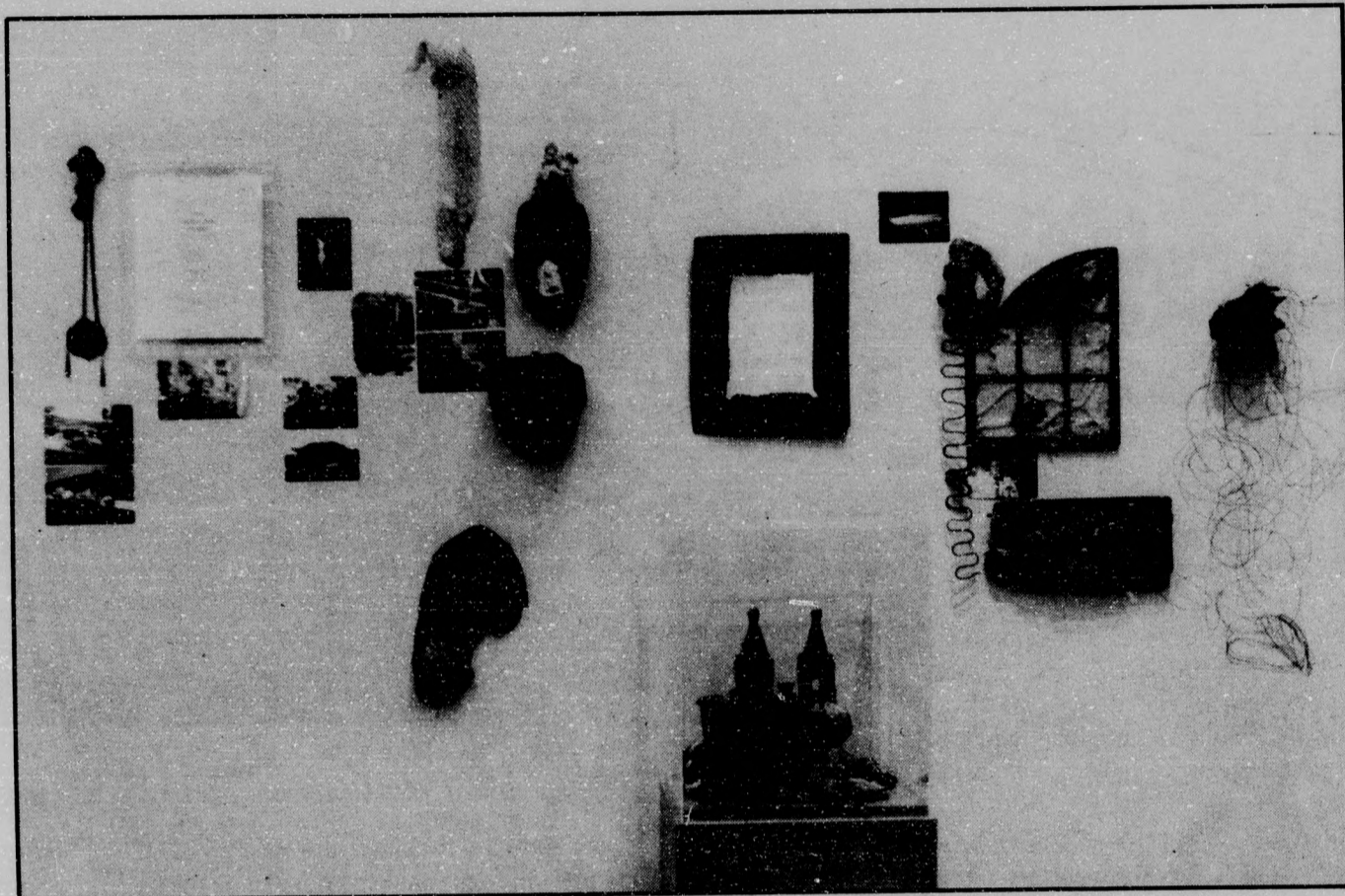
MOVIES

1. **Ace Ventura: Pet Detective**
Warner Bros.
2. **Greedy**
Universal
3. **On Deadly Ground**
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4. **Sugar Hill**
20th Century Fox
5. **The Chase**
20th Century Fox
6. **Schindler's List**
Universal
7. **Angie**
Disney
8. **Blank Check**
Disney
9. **Blue Chips**
Paramount
10. **8 Seconds**, New Line

N.Y. TIMES BESTSELLERS

1. **Accident**
Danielle Steel
2. **Disclosure**
Michael Crichton
3. **The Bridges of Madison County**
Robert James Waller
4. **Slow Waltz in Cedar Bend**
Robert James Waller
5. **Like Water for Chocolate**
Laura Esquivel
6. **The Celestine Prophecy**
James Redfield
7. **The Cat Who Came to Breakfast**
Lillian Jackson Braun
8. **Fatal Cure**
Robin Cook
9. **Family Blessings**
LaVyrre Spencer
10. **Bad Love**, Jonathan Kellerman

Burnt



**Flames
to fire-works:
Laguna blaze
forges art from
ashes**

By Jason Lamm
el Don Staff Writer

RSC - It's not what happens to you in life that matters, it's how you interpret it. Philosophy Professor John Velasquez created the exhibit from the fragments of his collection of folk art that barely survived the Laguna Beach fire last year.

The themes of the work are destruction and trial by fire.

"All of our experiences are valuable," Velasquez said. "I spent two weeks going through my home like an anthropologist."

Prior to the fire that raged through south Orange County, his home contained an eclectic collection of folk art from around the world.

"What survived was really basic," Velasquez said. "Ceramic, metal."

He created it to show the spiritual effect of fire and its destructive power. One of the messages it conveys is that all things are sacred and should be handled with care, because things you bless and take for granted can be taken away.

"I am not afraid of fire," Velasquez said. "Fire is a powerful symbol."

The various pieces of folk art on display range from little Greek mythology statues to pottery and pop art. Some of the objects, like the Buddha, have religious significance. Other objects have personal significance.

"I was born in 1940," Velasquez said. "The license plate came from my grandfather's car. They saved it for me."

The exhibit was created as a cleansing tool. We need to really teach and prepare students for the real world, according to Velasquez.

"I was reduced down to my basic essence," Velasquez said. "I think it has made me a better person and a better teacher. I feel cleansed."

OFFERINGS



Photos by E.J. Campbell / el Don

Irish for a day

By Gina Reidinger
el Don Staff Writer

It's that time of year again, when young Dubliners and local revelers alike guzzle green beer, and the faithful everywhere declare Eim Go Bragh (Ireland Forever).

Before you delight in the festivities, it's important to know not only who you toast, but why you're toasting - or even getting "toasted" in the first place.

St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was actually born about A.D. 385 a Britannic Celt and raised a Roman Catholic. In his teens, he began to have dreams and visions which he considered to be divinely inspired, so he entered a monastery and devoted his life to Christianity and missionary activity. One of his dreams prompted him to venture to Ireland, a country ruled primarily by the Druids, and free its people of slavery. Thousands of Irishmen were converted to Christianity through his labors. Though St. Patrick never claimed the performance of a miracle, tales of his exploits abound.

The most popular story told about St. Patrick is how he drove the snakes out of Ireland. Accompanied by his magical powers, he allegedly preached a sermon on a hilltop that drove all the snakes and vermin from Ireland, to its people's delight.

St. Patrick's Day today is one of great thirst for both the Irish and their companions. Thousands participate in parades and festivals. According to one legend, St. Patrick taught his countrymen the art of distillation - consequently bars and pubs are filled and the beer flows green.

For those of you who wish to participate in festivities, but who's palettes desire more than that

childhood mainstay, Lucky Charms, or those legendary Shamrock McShakes offered by McDonalds, here are some alternatives:

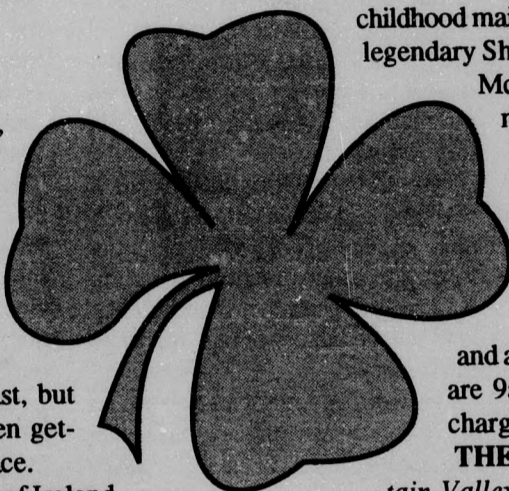
HARP INN, Costa Mesa - Entertainment scheduled for St. Patrick's Day will include live performances by The Fennians. The pub will also serve corned beef sandwiches and an Irish breakfast for \$5. Hours are 9a.m. to 2a.m. with a \$5 cover charge.

THE BLARNEY STONE, Fountain Valley - The party begins at 2p.m. and continues until 2a.m. Live entertainment by the Irish Beggermen will begin at 3:30p.m. Green beer and Irish food will be served all day and night. No cover charge.

MULDOONS, Newport Beach - Three live bands will be showcased, including the Irish Beggermen, Aisling and a traditional band featuring authentic Irish instruments. Corned beef sandwiches, Irish soda bread and bangers-in-a-bun will be served. Open from 10a.m. - midnight, with no cover charge.

SILKY SULLIVAN'S, Fountain Valley - This is that crazy pub where they will actually paint you green. Gene O'Murrell headlines the entertainment belting out everything from old Irish drinking songs to The Beatles. Corned beef and cabbage and Irish Sundays (a baked potato stuffed with prime rib, mushrooms, cheese and sour cream) decorate the day's special menu and drinks for \$3.

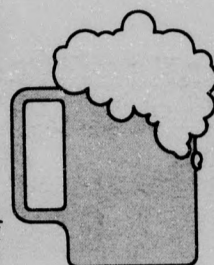
MALARKEY'S, Newport Beach - Stocked with a massive variety of Irish music and loads of corned beef for sandwiches, this tiny, local Irish pub is guaranteed to please. Drink specials include \$2 Irish Coffees and keg fulls of green beer. Hours are from noon to 2a.m.



Thousands of Southern Californians, Irish or not, will be downing green beer and putting away corned beef and cabbage on St. Patrick's Day

Becoming a brewmeister

By Sheila Goetz
el Don Staff Writer



Bubble, bubble, toil and trouble, with eye of newt and whisker stubble...Faith and begorrah!

It's too early in the year for a witch's potion, but not so early for a lighter-bodied Irish-style brew, like Harp Lager Beer.

St. Patrick's Day is rolling around the corner, and with it comes the kegs, six-packs and mugs of 400-plus brands of beer at nearby pubs, liquor stores and restaurants. Many Americans, Irish or not, celebrate the March 17 holiday by consuming countless barrels of ale and lager, alcoholic and non-alcoholic.

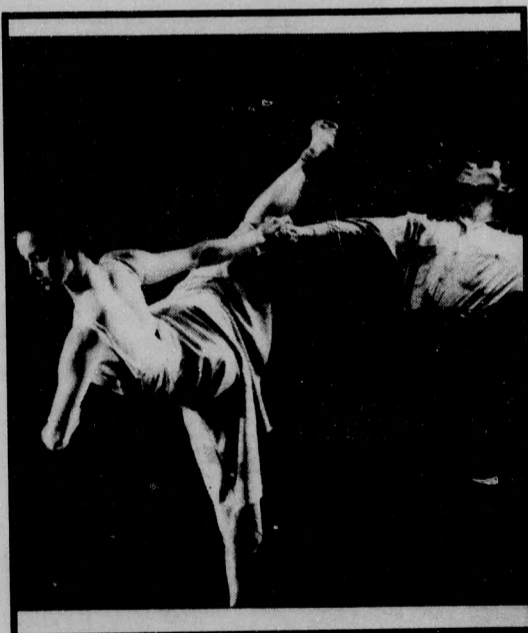
For approximately one million Americans, St. Patrick's Day is just another ordinary day, in which sampling a mug of beer is a hobby at home. Another day in which to savor blends of hops from local "microbreweries," or their own homemade concoctions.

If taste, and not quantity consumption, is what entices a drinker to beer, then the drinker's tastebuds can be tickled with some samples of locally brewed ales and lagers. The Fullerton Hofbrau Brewery and Restaurant ferments its own recipes. The Hofbrau can serve up a "King's Lager," one of its bestsellers, or another from their hierarchy of beverages such as the "Duke's Bock," described in the menu as a "powerful beer."

If saving money is also a key to tantalizing the tongue, then try fermenting at home. The cost of a starter kit ranges from \$40 to \$60. A five gallon yield of homemade beer can save up to \$1 to \$1.50 per six pack from the commercially sold brands. Fun Fermentation in Orange supplies hobbyists and would-be connoisseurs with the essentials. Their complete basic starter kit can be purchased for \$49.95—it includes all the ingredients and instructions for a home brewer. Owner Don Siechert recommends the "Complete Handbook of Homebrewing" by David Miller as initial reading for a first-timer.

Federal law currently permits production of up to 200 gallons a year per household for personal consumption—except in the few states which still prohibit home brewing.

A Slice of O.C.



AUDITIONS

SOMETHING'S AFOOT
RSC's Theatre Arts Dept. will be looking for actors and singers on March 14-15 from 7-10:30 p.m. for their production of "Something's Afoot." Auditions will be held in Phillips Hall and are by appointment only. For more info call the Theatre Arts Dept. at (714)564-5661.

DANCE

MASTER BALLET

Alonzo King, artist director for Lines contemporary ballet of San Francisco, will teach an intermediate to advanced ballet class on Thursday, March 17 from 6:30-8 p.m. in room G-108 on the Santa Ana Campus. There is a \$7 fee for the class. Call the Dance Dept. at (714)564-5641 for more info.

THEATRE

KEEP AN EYE OUT

The South Coast Repertory premieres the 1993 Tony nominee "Someone Who'll Watch Over Me" on March 18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$23 - \$33. Discounts for students and seniors. Call (714) 957-4033 for more info.

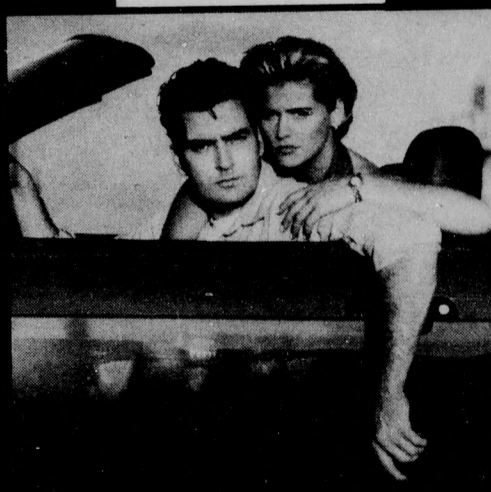


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LAUGHS

ORANGE CRAZE

The Orange County Crazies are presenting "Orangefeld," a satirical revue of life in and around O.C. at 8p.m. on Saturday, March 19th at the Orange County Crazies Theatre. Tickets are \$12. Call (714) 550-9900 for more info.

FLICKS

ON THE RUN

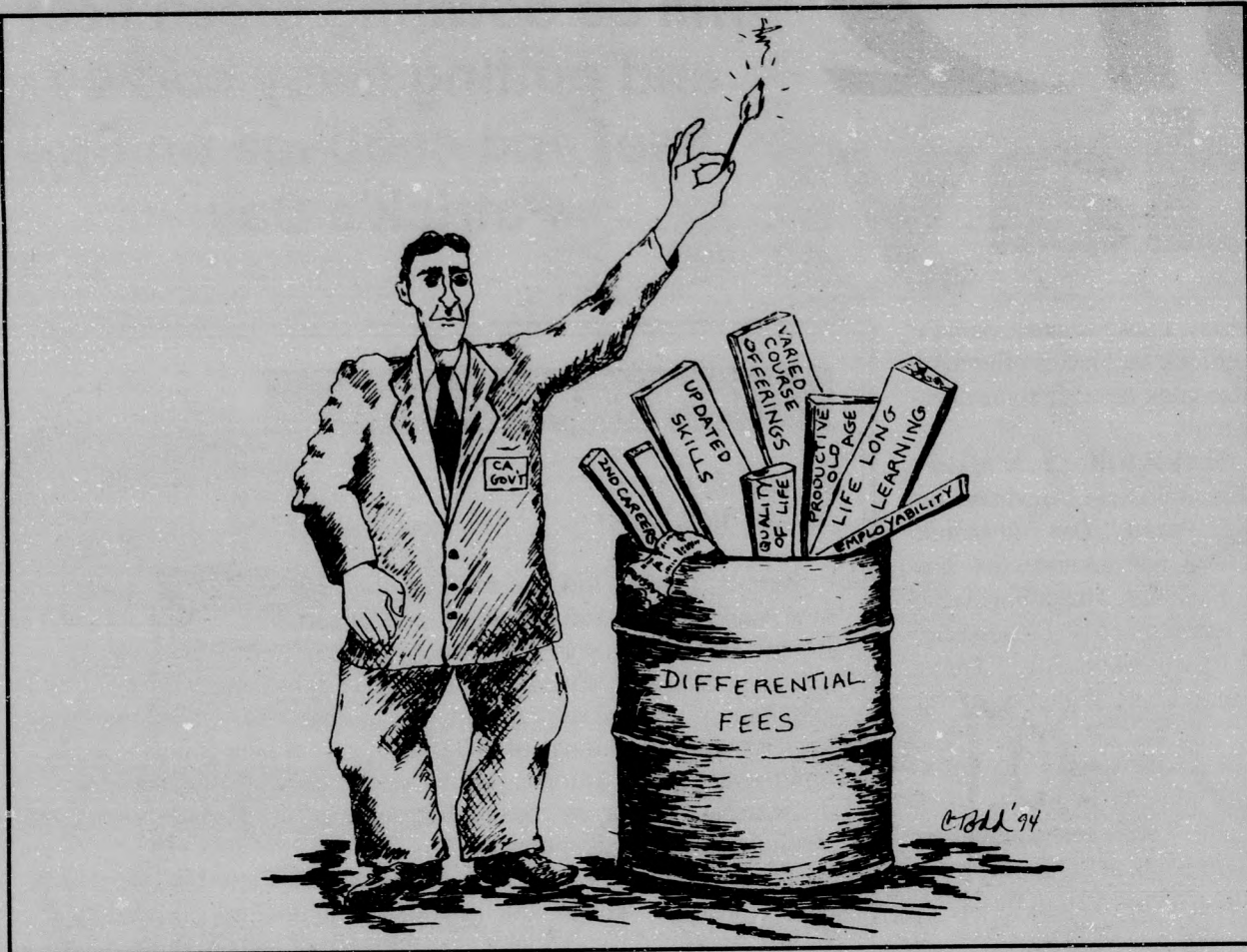
Charlie Sheen and Kristy Swanson star in "The Chase," a comedy about a man and his heiress hostage running for the border. Open now.

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RANCHO SANTIAGO COLLEGE el Don

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Editorials

It's an office party!

It seems as if the Associated Student Government and the Inter-Club Council are talking one way and walking the other. First, they stood on the platform of equal representation for all clubs on campus when they told administrators all clubs should have offices if one is to have an office.

"It's not right that one club should have office space when the rest of the clubs on campus don't," ASG president Ignacio Muniz said after he discovered that MEChA had gone over his head and prepared an office for themselves.

Now, ethnic clubs on campus are getting full cooperation and even assistance from ASG and ICC in their plans to build a new multi-cultural center in Johnson Center.

Student activity fees are paid by all students, ethnic or not. So why are ASG and ICC willing to spend our money on a club project that will only benefit the ethnic people on our campus?

The idea of a multi-cultural center at RSC is positive in the sense that it will help to bridge the gap between cultures, but it is also an exclusory idea. If history repeats itself, the center will become nothing more than an office for one or several of the ethnic clubs.

Organizations like the ski club should not be discriminated against because they aren't trying to promote their culture.

If we give money to one club in the Inter-Club Council, we should give the same funds to all the other clubs, regardless of their goals.

'Three strikes' law goes to bat

There's a measure passed by the California legislature which involves crime and the punishments handed out for criminal behavior, maybe you've heard about it. It's the so-called "three strikes and you're out" bill, which simply put would lock away three-time convicted felons and the keys would be thrown away, forever.

Nobody likes crime, except maybe the crooks, so this type of legislation just might be what the taxpaying citizens of this state are looking for. Or is it?

While we as citizens may want these habitual offenders off the streets for good, what price are we willing to pay?

This law might not stop the bad guys, so there will be a boom in the prison population in the state. The cost for more trials, new prisons in which to confine them, money to feed, clothe and guard them will all be tallied onto our debt. The question is how much are we willing to fork out in order to fight crime; because it's not a cheap battle. And is this the best way to do it?

Why do we have to wait for the third time to do something about violent criminal actions? The punishments should be stiffened for first and second offenders to create a deterrent for returning to or even beginning a life of crime.

There are better uses for our money than paying for these crooks to spend the rest of their lives behind bars, but we have to send the message earlier because by the third time it's just too late.



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Mailbox



Black History Month

February is celebrated as Black History Month. This puts America in a fortunate position to be an example of human dignity and brotherly love.

When you honestly feel that national effort toward reflection of Americans of African descent and their contributions toward the formation of this country is well deserved, then no better role does Black History Month play.

Prior to the civil rights movement of the 60's, African American literature, art, and history were excluded from the mainstream curriculum. African American contributions failed to make the history books of American history.

The African American experience in America is unique. No other Americans were enslaved for 400 years, stripped of their language, culture, religion and, worst of all, taught to hate themselves.

BlackHistory month enables us to see ourselves in all creation and all creation in ourselves that all Americans may know the truth and not distorted images of African Americans. Black HistoryMonth helps fill the gap between an idealized "melting pot" and a realistic brotherhood of all men. So every link in the chain of humanhood is important with none greater or lesser.

Gregory K. Dexter

Condom concerns

I am highly opposed to the distribution of condoms that you are making available to the students at RSC. The use of condoms instead of abstinence, as a preventative for contracting the AIDS virus and STDs is very dangerous. The use of condoms does not prevent these deadly diseases from spreading.

In 1990, more than 15 million Americans were infected with a sexually transmitted disease. Everyday, 42,000 Americans will contract one or more of the 50 known STDs. 63% of those are between the ages of 15-25. The condom was not intended as a preventative measure against the numbers and types of diseases in the world today. Sexually transmitted diseases such as Herpes and venereal warts often spread entirely throughout the genital area in both males and females: the scrotum, groin, inner thighs, rectal, and vaginal areas may be infected with contagious sores or warts. The condom only covers the penis.

A recent study was conducted by

the UCLA. Thirty-one different brands of condoms were purchased from local drugstores. Under laboratory conditions, the condoms were tested for leakage of the AIDS virus. The results are as follows: Four of the most popular brands leaked the AIDS virus the most. Out of the top four brands, three of them leaked the AIDS virus one in every ten that were tested. The fourth, one in every four that were tested.

The AIDS virus is 450 times smaller than one sperm cell; 230 million AIDS viruses equal the size of the period at the end of this sentence. If there is even a microscopic hole in the condom, the AIDS virus could leak. If one hair is pulled out, a large enough wound site remains for the AIDS virus to transmit. This commonly happens when a condom is removed after use.

Are you really giving your college students all the facts? This advertisement of "safe sex" that you are promoting is a fallacy. You are lying to your college students. I hear no mention of the above information, which was taken from a handbook called "choices" written by Priscilla Hurley, M.A. In this book it gives everyone the facts in making an educated decision whether to have sex or to remain abstinent until marriage.

My question to you is, how long are you going to lie to your college students by telling them they can have "safe sex"? I would like to leave you with one last bit of information taken from the above mentioned handbook "Choices."

Recently a microbiologist who specializes in STD studies asked his colleagues (who supported distributing condoms to teenagers) if they would rely on a condom if they knew their sex partner was HIV positive? The answer was obvious, "No, of course we wouldn't," they replied. He commented, "Why then, are we allowing kids to take the kinds of risks that we would never take ourselves?"

Katleen Walz
Matt Kordik

Editor's Note

El Don at no time distributed condoms to any students at RSC. In addition, we have never dismissed the inherent risk of sexual relations, with or without condoms. Further, several studies, including at least one by the U.S. Surgeon General's office, show that when used properly, condoms can significantly reduce the risk of contracting STD's.

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— C.P. Scott

SEX RESPECT

■ Does religious morality belong in sex education curricula in public schools?

By Jason A. Spielfogel
el Don Opinion Editor

Sex education was first made a reality of my life in the fifth grade. I was attending a public school and the district was just getting their feet wet on this new project so, admittedly, it was pretty tame. We learned the basic rundown of the human reproductive system, received basic knowledge of birth control, and that was all. Although we were encouraged to hold off our sexual activity until we were older, no real issue was made of it. After all, we were really supposed to learn about that stuff at home and, perhaps, at our churches.

Apparently, that's no longer good enough for the folks at Respect, Inc., a for-profit company that distributes *Sex Respect*, a highly controversial sex education curriculum which centers on a religiously moral approach to sex education. This by itself would be fine except that, somehow, the program has found proponents for its use in public school education.

For a moment let us forget that teaching religious morals/ideologies as fact in public schools is a blatant violation of the separation of church and state. Take a look to a few of the phrases this program not only teaches, but encourages children to chant regularly:

"Be confident! Be a virgin!"

"Don't be a louse! Wait for your spouse!"

"Pet your dog! Not your Date!"

Religious or not, teaching that there is some tie between chastity and self-confidence or that having pre-marital sex makes you a louse is not only misleading, it can be potentially dangerous. As a first year psychology student I learned of the numerous studies that show repressing sexual feelings can lead to much more aggressive sexual behavior in later years, including rape and incest.

Sex Respect never even addresses birth control methods, instead it claims that teaching about or supporting the use of contraceptive devices encourages students to have sex.

Get real, claiming that endorsing the use of birth control encourages sex is like saying that supporting seat belt use promotes car accidents.

According to an article in the Los Angeles Times, the book used in the program, titled "Sex Respect," also argues that French kissing can spread AIDS, a statement it devotes four chapters to. It also encourages students to "avoid arousal," again a lesson which only teaches students to conceal rather than express their sexuality.

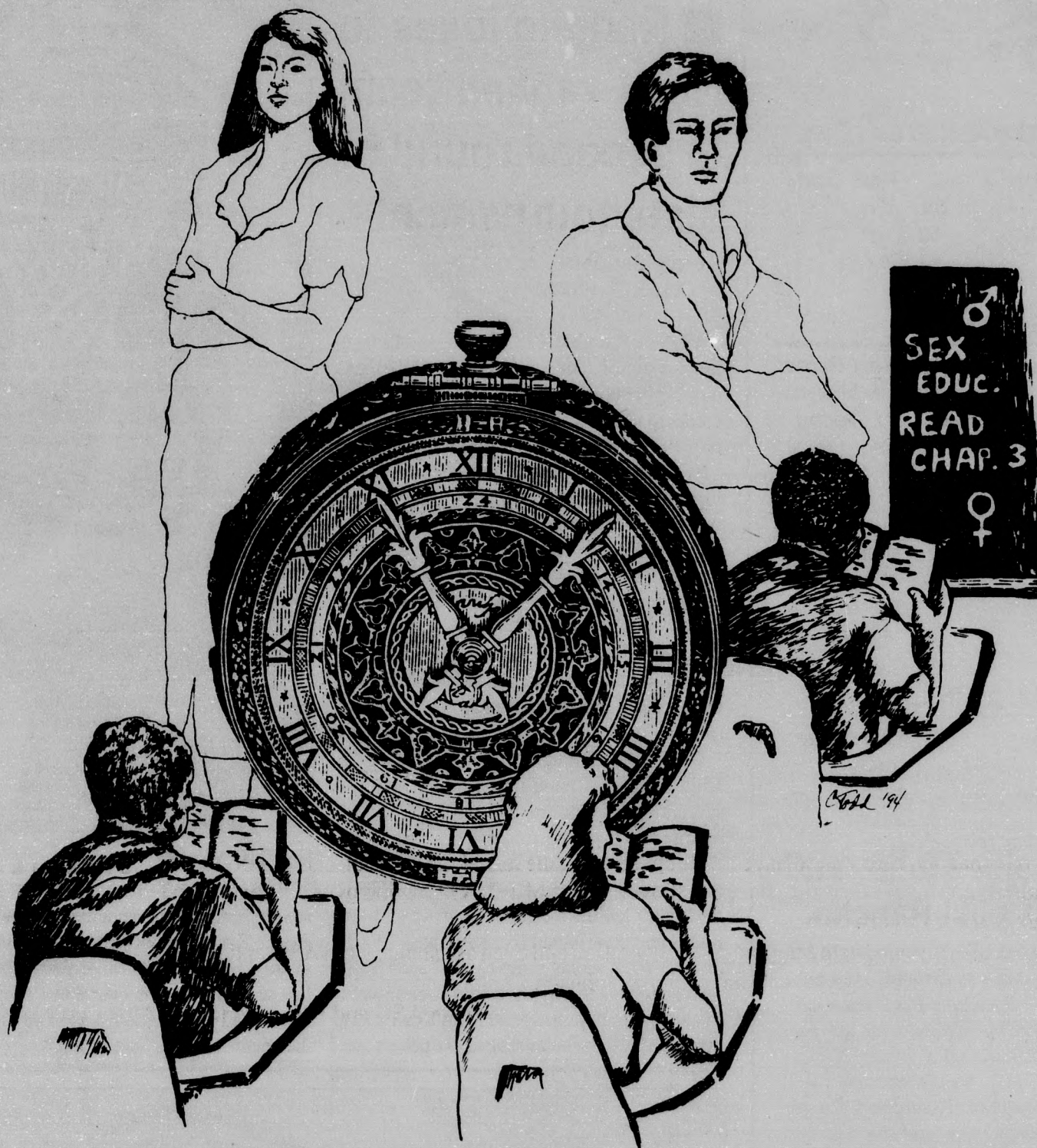
The program has already been tried and thrown out of several states. A Louisiana judge banned its use in public schools because of inaccurate medical information and over saturation of moral judgments, in particular, a selection in the book in which AIDS and herpes epidemics are said to be

nature's response to inappropriate sexual activity. The program has also been dropped or rejected by schools in Wisconsin, North Carolina, South Carolina, and several in California. In all cases, the program was dropped due to questionable information and obvious religious bias.

I'm not saying that a moral approach to sexual education is necessarily a bad idea. And I'm definitely not saying we don't need sex education in public schools. According to Lloyd Kolbe, from the Center's for Disease Control, 40 percent of all high school freshmen and 70 percent of all high school seniors have had sex. Obviously, our children need to be educated about sexual behavior and its consequences. But operating on a system that teaches guilt and shame

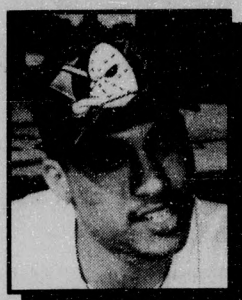
cannot possibly be conducive to a healthy education. Also, with such a wide moral diversity in today's society, which set of morals does a school choose? I think public educators (at least the ones who weren't bible-pounders) realized early on that the safest and fairest approach was to teach sex education on a hard-facts basis.

Let the morals be taught by the parents, it's their job anyway. If they wish to teach their children sexual morals like the ones presented in Sex Respect's program, that's all well and fine. In fact I encourage parents to be a constant and strong source of their children's education. But fundamentalist Christian morals masquerading as an educational program have no place in the public school system.



■ We asked some RSC students their opinions about sex education and when it should be taught to school kids. Here are some of their responses.

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Joe Morentin

"Sex education should start in junior high, because if it started at the elementary level it would open up their curiosity at too early of an age."



Michelle Morris

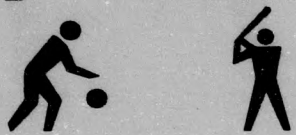
"It should start at the elementary level. The class should be mandatory, but the parents should be aware of it."



Andre Mosley

"I think it should start at the junior high level, because in elementary you don't get interested until the sixth grade and beyond."

Sportsline



MEN'S BASKETBALL

Wed. Mar. 2	Next Game:
RSC 88	End
Ventura 83	of
	Season

BASEBALL

Sat. Mar. 5	Next Game:
RSC 4	Sat. Mar. 12
Saddleback 3	at Fullerton
	Noon

SOFTBALL

Mon. Mar. 7	Next Game:
RSC 0	Mar. 11-13
Cypress 1	GW Tourney
	All Day

TRACK & FIELD

Fri. Mar. 4	Next Game:
RSC 41	Today
Riverside 98	at OCC
	2 p.m.

Riverside runs and jumps past Rancho

WARD FIELD - If you thought Michael Jordan was dynamic, you have yet to see Rancho's track team captain, Andre Mosely, who led his team to a 1600 meter relay victory. Unfortunately, that wasn't enough for a team win against Riverside College.

Mosely helped lead the 4 x 100 meter relay team to a time of 42.2. He had a time of 49.2 in the individual 400 meter relay.

The women's team is led by Sharon Moss and Michelle Cornette. Moss runs in the heptathlon and Cornette's specialty is the high jump.

The Dons received some bad news when Fidel Zavala injured his foot. Zavala was unable to complete the 5000 meter, falling behind on the third lap. Last year, Zavala went to the state cross country meet and took sixth place in the 10K.

RSC student finishes in top 500 in Los Angeles Marathon

Philip Parks, a first semester student from Seal Beach, finished 484th out of 19,000 runners in last Sunday's Ninth Annual Los Angeles Marathon.

Parks was competing in his second ever marathon. In last year's marathon he finished with a time of 4:44.16. His goal this year was to finish in under three and a half hours. He finished with a time of 3:09.33. Parks had only trained for a month and a half. He hopes to finish under three hours next year.

"It shows that you can achieve any goal as long as you put your mind to it," said Parks. "I felt really confident and ran with a lot of heart. With 2 miles left, I got cramps but the crowd kept me going and I finished the race."

Ventura rolls past RSC

Rancho loses to No. 1 ranked team in second round of state tournament

Bernie Sanders
el Don Staff Writer

VENTURA COLLEGE - The men's basketball season came to a close last Wednesday night, but not without a fight as they came up short against Ventura College, the No. 1 ranked team in the nation.

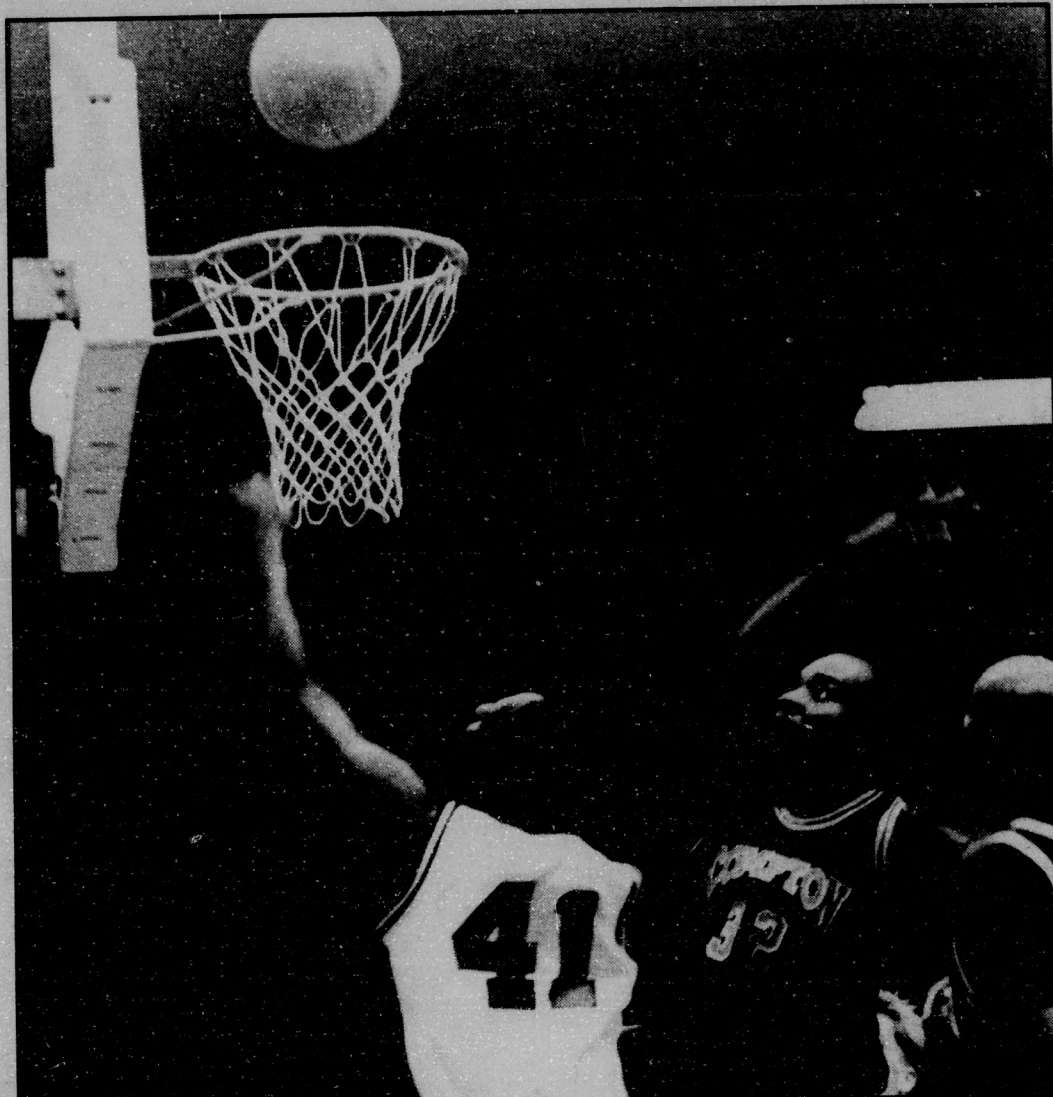
By looking at the two teams' records, Ventura (33-2) Rancho (21-12), it was obvious that RSC was outmatched. But someone forgot to tell the Dons as they came out in the first-half on fire, going into the locker room with a one point lead (41-40) against the team that has been picked to win it all.

However, the Pirates showed everyone in the second half why they are the nation's top team as they outscored Rancho by 30 points (55-25).

The Pirate's Brandon Jessie, from Edison High School in Huntington Beach, led all scorers with 26 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

"The freshmen really stepped up for the us this season," said Head Coach Dana Pagett. Nick Holt led the freshmen scoring with 14 points and contributed five rebounds. "We'll be back even stronger next year," said Holt.

Rancho was led by their two sophomores Sean Amos (24 points) and Matt Kordik (21 points). Amos, who averaged six points last



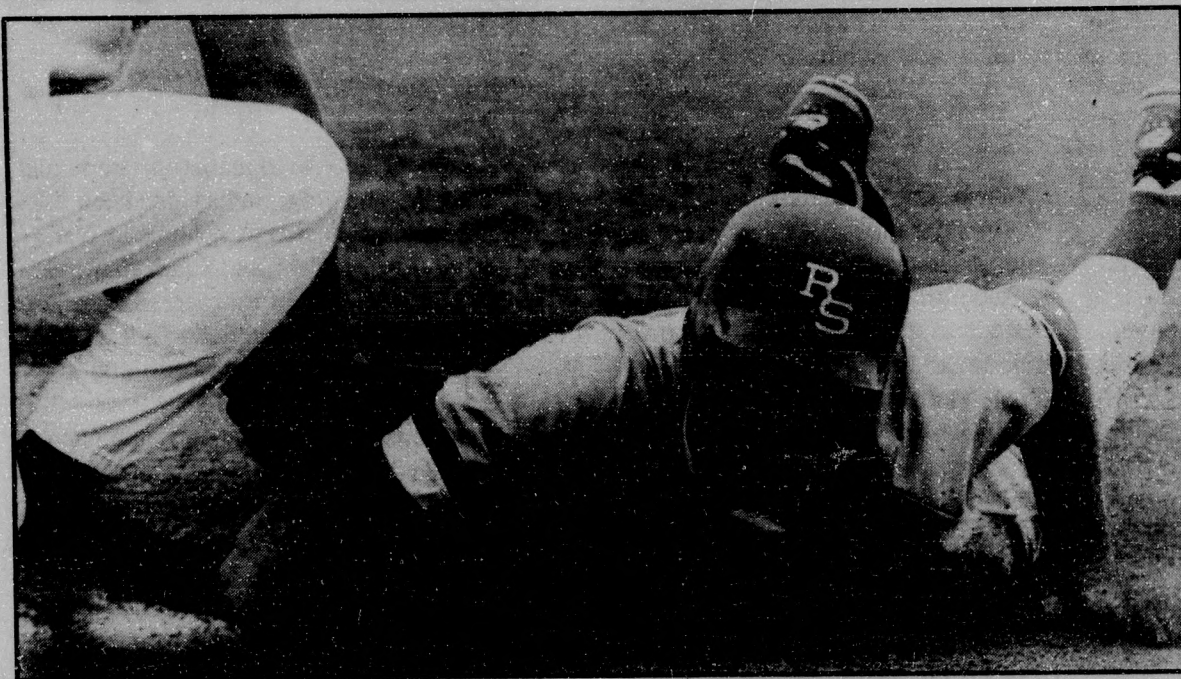
Carlos Echegoyen / el Don Photo

BACKING IN

RSC's Sean Amos (41) prepares to rebound the ball in a win over Compton 91-89. The Dons were picked to come in sixth or seventh at the beginning of the season, but ended the season tied for third.

Amos ended the year as the number two all-time leading scorer in a single season in RSC history.

"We had a very good season advancing to the second round," said Pagett.



E.J. Campbell / el Don Photo

YOU'RE SAFE!!!

The Dons' Matt Kastelic (7) slides back into first base in RSC's victory over Saddleback 4-3.

Chargers electrifying in victory over Rancho 5-2

13 Dons strikeout as 12-game winning streak is snapped

By Mark A. Peinado
el Don Sports Editor

CYPRESS COLLEGE - The Dons' baseball team's 12-game winning streak came to an end

Tuesday as Cypress College defeated Rancho 5-2.

Cypress pitcher Rob Crabtree (2-2) threw a flawless game as he struck out 13 batters. He baffled RSC hitters with his curve ball.

The Dons swung and missed 50 times, and could only manage two runs on four hits.

The Chargers got on the scoreboard first when Jason Hodges belted a two-run homerun, giv-

ing Cypress a 2-0 lead. The Chargers added three more runs while the Dons could only muster two.

"He (Crabtree) did a great job of pitching our kind of club," said Head Coach Don Sneddon. "He kept us off-balance, we didn't make contact and didn't make them throw the ball around."

Cypress' record improved to 15-4, 3-1 in the Orange Empire Conference.

The loss gave Rancho their first defeat in OEC play. The Dons' overall record fell to 15-3, 3-1 in league.

In RSC's previous game against Saddleback College, the Dons' Brandon Hoalton continued his undefeated streak at Rancho. He improved his record to 5-0 as the Dons defeated the Gauchos 4-3.

Hoalton's career record at RSC is 17-0. The Dons' Jamie Estrada went 3 for 5 with a double and a three-run homerun while driving in six runs.

Rancho's next game is Saturday at Fullerton College. Game time is noon.

Cypress slips past Lady Dons in extra innings

Patrick pitches all eight innings in loss; Game nearly postponed because of rain

By Thomas Mazzone
el Don Staff Writer

CYPRESS COLLEGE - The RSC softball team lost a tough game 1-0 in extra innings to Cypress College Tuesday, in a game that was almost called because of rain in the eighth inning.

Neither team scored during the first seven innings of regulation. The Lady Dons had a chance in the eighth, when with one out catcher Judy Enami hit a line drive to right field for a triple. The next two batters were retired leaving Enami stranded.

With one out in the bottom of the

eighth, the Chargers scored a runner from second base on a sharply hit ball that took a rough hop on the soft ground. Third baseman Courtney Kerley hurried and misfired on her throw to first base.

"It's tough to lose a conference game like that but we've been playing great ball," said Head Coach Kim Nutter.

Jocelyne Patrick pitched a complete game, but was dealt a loss. Her overall record fell to 4-4, despite dropping her earned run average to 1.65.

Although the Lady Dons had only four hits against Cypress, they had been on a tear with the bat, ringing



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HERE'S THE PITCH

Lady Dons' pitcher Jocelyne Patrick (21) prepares to deliver the ball in RSC's loss to Cypress 1-0.

up 39 hits, along with 31 runs in last week's victories over Orange Empire Conference teams. They crushed Irvine Valley College 21-1, and defeated Golden West College 10-4.

Shortstop Christine Mazurie led the charge, going seven for 11 on

the week, including six runs batted in. Mazurie had four hits against Irvine Valley, and outfielder Renee Taylor matched that effort against Golden West. Both tied school records.

"We have been really productive, this is a very good hitting

team," said Assistant Coach Jack Suttle.

Rancho drops their record to 8-7 and 2-1 in conference play. The next stop for the RSC softball team is at the Golden West Tournament today through Sunday at Golden West College.

Sports Feature

Dobos slides on over to P.E. dept.

Dean takes over as head of athletics while remaining in charge of student services

By Christine Locke
el Don Staff Writer

ADMINISTRATION - David Dobos, former Dean of Student Affairs, was appointed Dean of Physical Education/Athletics on Jan. 18 by the Rancho Santiago board of trustees.

Until someone can be found to fill his position as Dean of Student Affairs, Dobos will serve in both capacities.

Dobos is replacing Roger Wilson, who retired in 1991. Since then, Nancy Warren and John Nixon served as the division's interim leaders.

"I'm pleased that Dobos has filled this position," said John Nixon, Executive Dean of Instruction. "I know David will do a very good job."

Nancy Warren, Coordinator of the Division of Physical Education and Athletics, said "He wants to be here, and that makes all the difference."

As Dean of the Physical Education/Athletics Division, Dobos will be responsible for 18 full-time positions, and 25 part-time positions. He will be in charge of the athletic budget, the school's sports facilities, such as the swimming pool, the gymnasium, sports fields, classrooms, etc.

He will also schedule personnel and games, oversee new hires, coordinate games with other schools, help 300-400 full-time student athletes at RSC by coordinating academic schedules for athletes, organizing classes for handicapped and elderly students, and women's sports.

According to Michael McKinnon, a student at RSC, "He's very effective in student-teacher relationships. He'll do a great job."

Changes in the Physical Education/Ath-

letics Division are currently underway. Dobos said, "There is a need now for a women's soccer team." Dobos hopes to hire a women's soccer coach, as well as refurbish the women's gym and softball field as soon as possible.

Student Affairs is a one-of-a-kind position on campus, and will require a great deal of training for the incoming Dean, Dobos said. Some of the tasks involved in Student Affairs include RSC's code of conduct, disciplinary issues, California State laws and codes, due process, and state regulations. The post also oversees student government, commencement ceremonies, and community services.

Dr. Edward Hernandez, Executive Vice Chancellor for RSC, expects the Student Affairs position to be filled by mid-semester or by the end of this month.

Dobos is not getting paid to fill both positions, but is working in high gear to meet the needs of both jobs while trying to recover from a recent eye surgery.

When asked if he had a personal message for all of RSC's athletes, Dean Dobos said, "I want to assist our exercise science and athletic staff in providing for all of our students a learning environment in which they can improve their health, compete, and commence life-long learning."

According to Hernandez, Dobos was the ideal choice for the position since Dobos has a strong background in the athletic program. Hernandez said this was a good change for Dobos, and one in which he is very qualified to handle.

Dobos has been on staff at RSC for over 21 years. In 1973 he began his tenure as an instructor of sociology and psychology. He began his first administrative tasks in 1982 as an assistant athletic director, acting as the



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A MAN OF ALL SEASONS

Former Dean of Student Affairs David Dobos is ready for the challenges he is going to face as he takes over as Dean of Physical Education/Athletics.

college's administrative representative to the Mission and Orange Empire conferences. Dobos was named Dean of Student Affairs five years later.

Dobos, who didn't participate in sporting

events in his college years, is a marathon runner, and works out daily.

He holds a B.A. in sociology and a M.A. in social psychology from San Diego State University.

Where is everybody? Are the Rams dishing out the cash? Another Asian invasion?

◆ When you think of sports at Rancho, which ones come to mind? Football, basketball, and baseball would be acceptable answers, but not to me. Did you know there are other sports besides those three? Well if you didn't, let me clue you in.

We have teams that compete in softball, wrestling, swimming, track and field, golf, women's volleyball, water polo, cross country, and women's basketball. Wow! That's nine other sports and does anyone go out and watch them? Hmm, let me look at the attendance figures... what, we don't have any.

Now, I know what you're saying: "Mark you really go out and see all these sports." Well, you're right, I don't get to see every sport. But hey, I make an effort to at least see some of their games. If everyone at RSC made an effort to at least see one game from every sport, we'd be packing them in.

◆ I see the Los Angeles Rams are actually making an effort to put a decent product on the field for 1994. Georgia's finally dishing out the dough to get some better players so that the Anaheim Rams might even make the playoffs this year.



By Mark Peinado

With the acquisitions of Chris Miller from the Atlanta Falcons and Jimmy Jones from the world champion Dallas Cowboys, all the Baltimore Rams need to do is beef up their offensive line by drafting Aaron Taylor of Notre Dame and get a big-play wide receiver like Haywood Jeffries from the Houston Oilers. If the St. Louis Rams do this, I might get excited about the 1994 season.

◆ What's up with this Asian invasion in major league baseball. Both the Los Angeles Dodgers and the Seattle Mariners have signed pitchers from the Far East. Both clubs say they might make their opening day roster. I guess it's our fault for sending so many former American ballplayers to Asia, they must have all joined together and said: "Let's turn the tables on the United States and send them of our players."

Well, get ready America, the Asians are making their move on our national pastime.

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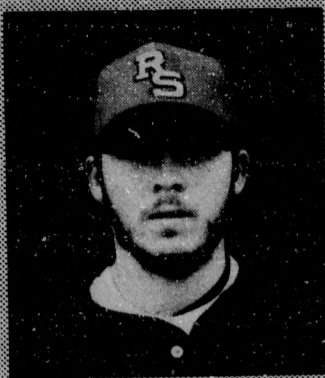
DONS

BASEBALL

Pos./Yr.
Pitcher/Sophomore

Major: Undecided

Stats: defeated Saddleback 4-3 Saturday to run record to 5-0. Hoalton is 17-0 in his career at RSC.



Brandon Hoalton

LADY DONS

SOFTBALL

Pos./Yr.
Utility/Freshman

Major: Undecided

Stats: batted .635 (7 for 11) with 6 RBIs and was winning pitcher in victory over Irvine Valley.



Christine Mazurie

Swimmers ready for spring thing

By Brian Copeland
el Don Staff Writer

RSC's swimming teams just might be swimming upstream all this year. The women will be strong as opposed to the men, who will have a lackluster venture in the pool.

The Lady Dons swam to their first meet victory in the past six years as they defeated Grossmont. Michelle Morris set a school record in the 200IM with a time of 2:14:07. Three other strong contributors were Heather Burton, Laura Martinez and Karen Sill.

As for the men, from a team of 20 last season, the group is short of swimmers.

"We (men) finished second last year, though this time around we are about 50 percent water polo swimmers that are not blazing fast," said

Coach Bob Gaughran Jr.

Last week, both the men and women lost in their dual meet versus San Diego Mesa. On Saturday, the girls finished third overall in a swim pentathlon held at Saddleback College.

"Orange Coast and Golden West will be the schools to beat in both the men and women. They should again be contenders for the Orange Empire Conference championships," said Gaughran.

Rancho will next compete in the Mount San Antonio College Invitational today and tomorrow at 2 p.m.

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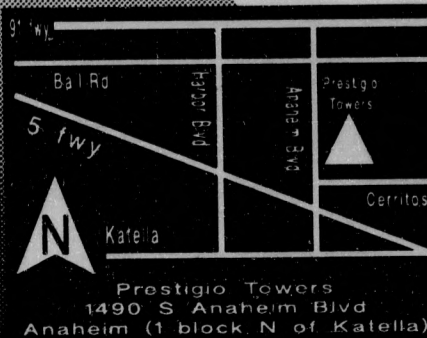
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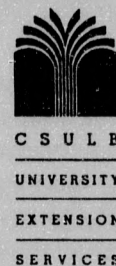
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